

III. REMARKS

Claims 2-10, 12-15, and 17-23 remain in the application. Claims 1, 11, and 16 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 17 and 18 have been amended. Claim 24 is new

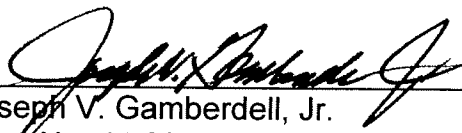
Applicant has amended claims 17 and 18 to consistently refer to a "controller." Claim 24 has been added to provide the "means" language previously found in claim 17.

The claims require no additional search and are patentable because their scope has not changed. Applicant found the inconsistencies upon review of the claims before paying the issue fee.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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